REMARKS

It is respectfully submitted that the rejection of claims for double patenting over the publication of application No. US 2003/0041320 A1 is improper because this publication is the publication of the above referenced application. Since the publication of an application cannot be the basis of double patenting rejection for the same application, it is respectfully submitted that the double patenting rejection is improper and should be withdrawn. Accordingly, Applicants believe that all pending claims are allowable and respectfully request a Notice of Allowance for this application from the Examiner.

Applicants hereby petition for an extension of time which may be required to maintain the pendency of this case, and any required fee for such extension or any further fee required in connection with the filing of this Amendment is to be charged to Deposit Account No. 500388 (Order No. <u>SUN1P840</u>). Should the Examiner believe that a telephone conference would expedite the prosecution of this application, the undersigned can be reached at the telephone number set out below.

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